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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Roy Romer
Governor

Governor's Education Advisory Council

WHEREAS, Colorado's economy is becoming more diversified and more competitive; and

WHEREAS, the skills and discipline of Coloradans will determine our ability to compete for economic opportunity and to maintain our quality of life in the next century; and

WHEREAS, the K-12 educational system is a cornerstone in developing higher skills and discipline in our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the State of Colorado funds the local public educational system at more than a billion dollars a year; and

WHEREAS, I support the State Board of Education goals for increasing student achievement, attendance and graduation rates; and

WHEREAS, local boards of education, administrators, teachers, parents, students, businesses and all community members are affected by public education and must share in the responsibility for improving Colorado's education system; and

WHEREAS, I believe that communities of interest must define their own educational programs and no set formula for school improvement can be dictated from any central authority; and

WHEREAS, business leaders have an increased concern about the quality of education and want to be involved in a meaningful effort to improve education in Colorado; and

WHEREAS, the perspective of business leaders in state policy formulation is crucial at a time of rapid educational change; and

WHEREAS, we want to encourage the design of structures, techniques and relationships in the education system that help students learn how to learn and to use their minds well; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this restructuring effort is to create a climate that supports creativity, innovation and shared responsibility; and

WHEREAS, we need to invigorate the learning process in public education with a renewed commitment from all Coloradans;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado, under the authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of the State of Colorado, HEREBY ORDER the following:

1. The Governor's Education Advisory Council is hereby formed. The Council shall consist of representatives from the State Board of Education, the Colorado Department of Education, educational associations, higher education and the Governor's Job Training Office, as well as parents, teachers, business people and legislators. Members shall serve without compensation at the pleasure of the Governor.

2. The Advisory Council shall have the following responsibilities:

(a) To assist the Governor in increasing public awareness about the critical role of education in determining this state's future.

(b) To model a community-based approach to educational improvement which local school communities are encouraged to adopt.

(c) To provide guidance to the Governor on the content, direction, and implementation of the Educational Creativity Schools Initiative.

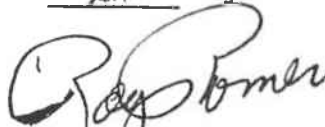
(d) To identify financial, personal and other resources for the implementation of the initiative and other educational programs.

(e) To assist the Governor in developing programs to encourage and sustain effective business-education partnerships.

(e) To assist the Governor on specific education issues assigned to the Council by the Governor.

3. This Executive Order shall expire on January 1, 1992, unless further extended by executive order.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive
Seal of the State of Colorado, this
9th day of June 1989.



Roy Romer
Governor

